

HOUSE RESOLUTION 249
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A RESOLUTION to honor Representative Billy Rigsby for his
outstanding service to Tennessee as a member
of the General Assembly.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this body should honor those colleagues who during their tenure in the General Assembly have performed their elected duties with remarkable dexterity and unprecedented devotion, and whose professionalism and competence will serve as a benchmark for future legislators; and

WHEREAS, Representative Billy Rigsby has been an important presence on Capitol Hill for three terms and six years as a member of the House of Representatives; his illustrious legislative career will come to an end at the adjournment sine die of the 1996 session of the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly as he answers the tantalizing call of retirement; and

WHEREAS, beginning his meritorious service in the House of Representatives in 1991, Billy Rigsby has distinguished himself as a highly respected leader and an effective public servant; and

WHEREAS, as an exemplary member of the House, Representative Rigsby has been an astute and eager participant in the legislative process as a member of the Committees on Finance Ways and Means and Commerce, serving astutely as Secretary of the latter committee; and

WHEREAS, serving the good people of Franklin, Moore and Marion Counties with the utmost integrity and probity, Representative Rigsby has been the distinguished recipient of several awards for his proficient legislative service; and

WHEREAS, Billy Rigsby is “a son of the soil” who truly understands the special interests and needs of farmers and the agricultural industry; he is also an extremely successful businessman engaged in the real estate and auction business; and

WHEREAS, ever one to shoulder the mantle of civic responsibility, Representative Rigsby is a generous and concerned member of his community, and he has made significant contributions to many civic, religious and charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments and accolades aside, he is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Patsy, and their four children; and

WHEREAS, the 39th House District has been well represented by this prominent legislator as he served in every capacity with acumen, industry and humanity; and

WHEREAS, Representative Rigsby will be long remembered as an advocate and crusader for good, responsive government and the concerns of working people; and

WHEREAS, Representative Billy Rigsby has been a staple figure on Capitol Hill; he is a gentleman whose talent and energy will seldom be equaled and, without question, he will be greatly missed; and

WHEREAS, it is now highly appropriate that the friends and colleagues of this outstanding public servant should honor him and recognize his numerous accomplishments and contributions to our great state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Representative Billy Rigsby for his innumerable services to Tennessee, and we honor him for his distinguished career as a member of this General Assembly.

BE TO FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to Representative Rigsby our best wishes for every continued success and happiness in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

